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September 25, 2015

TO:

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FROM:

Cynthia A. Harding, M.P.H. Cyshia A. Harding M.P.H. Cyshia A. Harding

SUBJECT:

NOTIFICATION OF THE USE OF DELEGATED AUTHORITY TO

ACCEPT NOTICES OF GRANT AWARD FOR FISCAL YEARS 2014-15 AND 2015-16 FROM THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, OFFICE OF REFUGEE HEALTH FOR THE REFUGEE

HEALTH ASSESSMENT PROGRAM

This is to notify you that I am exercising the delegated authority approved by your Board on October 16, 2012, to accept future awards and/or amendments that are consistent with the requirements of the Notice of Grant Award (NGA) from the California Department of Public Health (CDPH), Refugee Health Section (RHS), to extend the term through September 30, 2017, at amounts to be determined by the CDPH RHS; and provide an increase or decrease in funding up to 30 percent above or below each award term's annual base amount, subject to review and approval by County Counsel, and notification to your Board and the Chief Executive Office.

Under this authority, I will accept:

1) NGA Number 14-19-90840-00, issued by CDPH, Office of Refugee Health Assessment (ORH, formerly RHS) on September 9, 2015 in the amount of \$50,000, increasing the base award amount by three (3) percent from \$1,640,500 to \$1,690,500, for the period of October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2015. The additional funding will support the services provided through the Refugee Health Assessment Program (RHAP) to the increased number of refugee clients arriving during the period of July 1, 2015 through September 30, 2015. Services provided through the RHAP include comprehensive physical examinations and laboratory testing for infectious diseases, such as malaria, and for chronic diseases, such as diabetes. These funds also support the staff time spent on reassessing the organizational structure of the RHAP for better integration with the Los County Department of Health Services.

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2) NGA Number 15-19-90840-00, issued by the CDPH ORH on September 3, 2015, in the amount of \$1,640,000, for the period of October 1, 2015 through September 30, 2016. This funding supports the provision of health assessment services to refugees, asylees, special visa immigrants, certified victims of human trafficking and other eligible entrants, as required by CDPH ORH. Specifically, approximately 2,600 health assessments are supported, as well as laboratory testing for both infectious and chronic diseases. This funding also covers salaries for 15 employees, including registered nurses, intermediate typist clerks, and community workers.

County Counsel has approved the NGAs as to use and this delegated authority action.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please let me know.

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c: Interim Chief Executive Officer Interim County Counsel Acting Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors